

NC Wing Commander's Update - 19 March 2020

1. All non-essential face-to-face meetings, events and activities are suspended until 11 May 2020 per [National HQ guidance](#). Squadrons are evaluating options to conduct meetings remotely where possible using online meeting tools. Please check e-mail communications from your squadron regularly for updates.
2. National HQ has approved proficiency flights for pilot currency and one-on-one student instruction in the Wings Program.
3. Anyone who feels ill must not attend any in-person CAP activity, including flight activities, until the full resolution of their illness. Additionally, those at-risk for COVID-19 illness because of recent travel to an area with sustained community transmission or those who have had close-contact with someone that has laboratory confirmed COVID-19 are prohibited from all in-person CAP activities for at least 14 days.

What can I do during this timeframe?

This is an opportune time for innovative ideas to emerge. Already, many squadrons have found creative ways to progress while being remote. With Group and Squadron Command support, inter-squadron online or telephone-based-discussions and exchanges are encouraged for not only brainstorming and sharing but also for distance learning and briefings.

It is also important for cadets to progress and promote and for senior members to enhance their professional development. Stay connected and innovate creatively to meet these challenges and share ideas with each other.

Some suggestions are:

- Utilize available communication and collaboration platforms to enable video and/or audio meetings and file storage (e.g. Microsoft Office 365 and Teams).
- Utilize CAP distance learning for cadet promotions and senior member professional development.
- IS100, IS200, IS700, IS800 and POD training. Go to FEMA website <https://training.fema.gov/nims/> to enroll in these courses.
- GES and ICUT courses online through eServices.
- Take an online Safety class.
- Check-in on your wingman and your fellow airmen often.
- Remain mission-ready should we be called upon to serve our communities.

This is an unprecedented time for all of us and while it is temporary, we do not yet know everything about this virus. Show the way forward by adhering to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) prevention guidelines. We're in this for a little while. Get your personal OPTEMPO right and have the physical and mental fitness to endure. We will

all remember this time and how we responded. Let's all rise to the occasion like all of you have done in the past missions and challenges we have experienced and I know we will come out of this for the better.

Thank you

Respectfully,

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